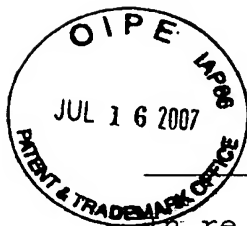


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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 29, 2007, applicant submits the following amendments and remarks.